PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Philippe LESCOCHE

Art Unit:

Application No.: to be assigned

Examiner:

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 71247-0015

For: DEVICE FOR COUPLING TOGETHER A TUBE AND A FILTER HOUSING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 10, 2003

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below.

Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.

Amendments to the claims are submitted on page 3.

Remarks are submitted on page 7.